

MONEY POWER OF EDUCATION

Address By Attorney General T. W. Bickett

COMMENCEMENT AT CARY

Fifteen Bright Boys and Girls Receive Certificates.—Brilliant Debates, Recitals and Musicals.—The First Public High School in North Carolina.

(Special to News and Observer.) Cary, April 29.—The week of festivities, the season of delights in this cultured community, is that in which occurs the commencement of the Cary Public High School, for nearly a dozen years the splendid Baptist preparatory academy, occupying a position in the front rank of North Carolina schools. The exercises, which began Wednesday, were concluded today with interesting ceremonies, fifteen young ladies and gentlemen receiving certificates as graduates. Large numbers of visitors, many of whom were formerly students at this school, have been in attendance throughout the commencement, and the citizens from miles around were spectators, some as parents of pupils, at the brilliant closing exercises.

Attorney-General T. W. Bickett delivered the commencement address. When the Democratic State Convention met in Charlotte in 1908 one of its chief achievements was the discovery of Mr. Bickett, a strong and learned lawyer and eloquent orator. Few men in North Carolina now receive more invitations to deliver addresses than he, and one of the secrets of his increasing popularity is that he always has a message to speak and speaks it with power. As a platform entertainer he belongs to the first class. Today he spoke on the proposition that "education is emancipation," saying there were two kinds of slavery left in this section of the planet; slavery to debt and slavery to appetite. Education, he said, would emancipate the people from those two remaining types of slavery.

Education emancipated from debt, in other words, education paid, and ought to pay, he said. If a corporation paid no dividends soon the jaws of that modern dragon, the receiver, would open and devour it. Saint and sinner, he continued, concede that the judgment pronounced against the barren fig tree was the very essence of justice. Education deserved to be judged by the same test. Unless it yielded a fair return for the amount of money invested in it, either the matter taught or the method of teaching it deserved utter condemnation. Education ought to pay in dollars and cents. It is up to education, Mr. Bickett declared, to teach the people first how to make money and then what to do with it. The dollar sign but is also sinned against. A dollar honestly earned has a value entirely independent of its purchasing power. The man who goes into the wilderness or great marts of trade and carves a fortune is worth something more than the sum total of his property on the tax books. Intelligence, energy, character, success are assets to the community in which he lives.

The speaker did not encourage the adoration of the dollar but asserted that money and the ability to make it had a rational place in civilized society. In every town, he said, there are men who can tell what ought to be done with money but not how to make it. The creation of wealth must precede its regulation. The first thing to do with the dollar is to make it.

The educational system that fails to recognize this primal proposition, he stated, must die, or be born again. It is the imperative duty on the part of the State to train and equip every child so that on arrival at maturity he will be able to make his own living. Each child should receive moral, mental and physical equipment. In the ability to make a living, he said, something is involved infinitely higher than the ability itself. It is impossible for a man or a woman ever to attain to the highest when constantly humiliated by being unable to pay for common necessities.

The exercises commenced with prayer by Rev. T. W. Fisher, after which a quartet of sweet singers, mixed voices, sang Fearis' beautiful "Come, Sweet Spring." Goldbeck's Concert Paraphrase was charmingly rendered by Miss La Rue Hunter, of Cary.

Attorney-General Bickett was presented by Dr. J. M. Templeton, who remarked Cary High School was al-

ways fortunate in securing its speakers and that the speakers themselves had been fortunate. "The first time I ever saw Charles B. Aycock was when he delivered an address before the Cary High School, and the next time I saw him he was governor of North Carolina, and I now take pleasure in introducing governor-to-be, Hon. Thomas W. Bickett."

After Mr. Bickett's admirable address the school with strong musical voices sang with spirit, "Ho! for Carolina."

In presenting the certificates to the graduating class Principal M. B. Dry stated that eleven counties were represented by students in the school this year, three from South Carolina, and eight from North Carolina. Of a total enrollment of 97 high school pupils 20 were from the Cary High School district, 67 outside. There were 70 boarding pupils, nearly a quarter of the total enrollment. There was a total of 207 pupils from the district. There were 41 pupils in the music department and 15 taking expression. Eight teachers did the work this year.

The graduates receiving diplomas were as follows:

S. O. Holland, president, New Hill; Myrtha Fleming, secretary, Cary; C. J. Carpenter, Morrisville; W. B. Covington, Laurel Hill; W. G. Farrar, Apex; A. L. Fleming, Cary; C. J. Green, Raleigh; B. P. Pearson, Apex; Ruth Sears, Morrisville; W. F. Smith, Riverside; Novella Smith, Cary; T. L. Williams, Apex; Willine Womble, Apex; O. R. Yates, Morrisville; O. W. Yates, Morrisville.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon the declamation and recitation contest for medals was held. The debate took place last night, the speakers being Howard Benton, Cary, and C. J. Carpenter, Morrisville, affirmative; S. O. Holland, New Hill, and O. W. Yates, Morrisville, negative. The query was: "Resolved, That the Navy Should be Largely Increased." The judges were Prof. J. H. Highsmith, of Wake Forest College, Principal K. H. McIntyre, of Holly Springs School, and Prof. G. C. Keeble, of Raleigh High School. The negative won the decision and Mr. Carpenter, of the affirmative, the medal. This afternoon the Clay Society medal for improvement in debate was awarded to E. R. Penny, Apex, and the Calhoun medal to O. W. Yates, of Morrisville. Mr. Carpenter's medal was presented to him as the best debater. In declamation the medal went to W. F. Smith, of Riverside, S. C., and the recitation medal to Miss Lena Stephenson, Raleigh. The scholarship medal was presented to B. P. Pearson, of Apex.

The contestants for the declamation and recitation medals were as follows:

Lena Stephenson, Raleigh, "Amanda's Wedding."

Mary Reddish, Raleigh, "Old Ace, or Race for a Bride."

Azzie Scott, Morrisville, "Our Folks."

P. C. Harward, Morrisville, "My Mother, My Country, My God."

W. B. Covington, Laurel Hill, "Writing a name."

B. P. Pearson, Apex, "True Heroism."

W. F. Smith, Riverside, S. C., "Trial of Warren Hastings."

J. R. Hester, Roxboro, "America's Unowned Queen."

O. R. Yates, Morrisville, "The Coming of Peace."

This evening a highly enjoyable musical concert and play for the benefit of the music department were given, a large sum being received from the crowded auditorium. The program was as follows:

The Gingle of Money.....Chaminade

P. Bonner, R. Sears, A. Fisher, R. Pearson, K. Maynard, G. Adams,

O. Bailey, M. Howell, M. Breeze, B. Franklin, R. Ivey, A. Williams.

When Life is Brightest.....Pensuiti

Chorus.

When Birdie Studied Delsarte.

Mary Lillian Reddish.

The Gingerbread Man.....

Katherine Burrows

Annie Hall, Elva Templeton, Hannah Ivey.

Impromptu Mazurka.....Lack

La Rue Hunter.

Under the Buggy Seat.

Charity Partin.

Pancake Song.....Lecoco

Chorus.

The Last Word.....Henry Van Dyke

Lenora Upchurch.

Heliotrope.....Schultz O'Neill

Gussie Adams.

Merry Lads and Lassies.....Sanford

Ruth Sears, Bess Franklin, Katie Maynard.

Christmas at the Quarters.....

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Lena Stephenson.
Sing On.....Denza
Chorus.
Aux Italien (musical acc.).....Owen Meredith
Mary Breeze.
Magic Flute.....Mozart
Bess Franklin, La Rue Hunter, Odellia Bailey, Katie Maynard, Gussie Adams, Rachel Ivey, Mavis Smith, Willine Womble, Ruth Sears.
A Romance of the Ganges.....Denig
Lena Stephenson, Mary Breeze, Mary Reddish, Ruth Bullock, Annie Bullock, Lovie Lassiter
Azzie Scott.

PART II. THE LITTLE REBEL. A Farce in One Act. Scene—Sitting Room.

CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Mr. Stephen Poppincourt.....S. O. Holland
Arthur Ormeston.....W. B. Covington
Page.....Robert Lee Middleton
Mrs. Wingrove.....Lenora Upchurch
Laura (daughter of Mrs. Wingrove).....Mary Breeze
Kitty Vinks.....Mary Reddish

The commencement exercises began Wednesday evening with an expression recital, given by Misses Mary Breeze and Lenora Upchurch, both of Cary.

Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock the primary exercises were held, including the first five grades, and after the debate in the evening the students' reunion was held, the speakers being County Superintendent Z. V. Judd, Mr. E. L. Templeton, the former principal, now Sunday school secretary of the Baptist State Convention, and Mr. James Templeton, Cary. The alumni association was organized last fall, the officers being Z. V. Judd, president; Miss Lessie Stone, Raleigh, secretary, and Miss Lydia Yates, Cary, treasurer.

The faculty of the school during the year just closed was: Prof. M. B. Dry, principal; C. L. Bivens, Miss Julia Pasmore, Miss Elsie Hunter, Miss Emma Pegram, Miss Irma Ellis, Miss Clyde Harrison, and Miss Corinne Doles.

Principal Dry and Prof. Bivens have been re-elected for next year by the school trustees.

ELECTRIC LINE TO CARY

CARY CITIZENS MAY SECURE RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR CAROLINA POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY.

That an electric railway will some time connect Raleigh with Cary there is no doubt, and there is a possibility of an early realization. It is the present plan, and there are workers now engaged in promoting it, to extend the Raleigh street railway to Cary, the company to establish a park one mile this side of Cary. This matter was being discussed in Cary yesterday and the sentiment there is unanimously in favor of the enterprise.

It is understood that the Carolina Power and Light Company is not pushing the project, but the people of Cary and some in Raleigh who have heard of the proposition are confident that if a right-of-way acceptable to the company is secured by the people that the electric line will be built. It is seven miles from Raleigh to Cary, and efforts will be made to secure a right-of-way on each side of the railroads between the two places, but some distance from the steam lines.

Clearing House Statement.

New York, April 30.—The statement of clearing house banks for the week shows that the banks held \$6,771,150 more than the requirements of the 25 per cent reserve rule. This is a decrease of \$8,244,475 in the proportional cash reserve as compared with last week.

The statement follows:

Loans, \$1,217,637,500; increase, \$317,800.

Deposits, \$1,194,756,600; decrease, \$9,903,700.

Circulation, \$48,180,200; decrease, \$144,700.

Legal tenders, \$69,141,300; increase, \$1,959,400.

Specie, \$236,319,000; decrease, \$12,679,800.

Reserve, \$305,460,300; decrease, \$10,720,400.

Reserve required, \$298,689,150; decrease, \$2,475,925.

Surplus, \$6,771,150; decrease, \$8,244,475.

Ex. U. S. deposits, \$7,174,450; decrease, \$8,232,050.

The percentage of actual reserve of the clearing house banks today was 25.37.

The statement of banks and trust companies of Greater New York not reporting to the clearing house shows:

Loans, \$1,189,727,900; increase, \$9,682,900.

Specie, \$128,351,300; increase, \$1,207,500.

Legal tenders, \$21,163,500; increase, \$99,600.

Total deposits, \$1,255,179,900; increase, \$5,509,200.

The best farmers don't spend money for quack formulas for making fertilizers, or for wonderful new varieties which produce fabulous yields under ordinary conditions. But you know the kind of farmers who do.

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SMALL ADVOCATES THE PARCELS POST

Says There Is General Demand for System

ESPECIALLY IN THE SOUTH

Congressman Admits There is a Sharp Division of Sentiment in the Country on the Matter—Will Endeavor to Have Committee Report Bill Establishing a Special Parcels Post on Rural Free Delivery Routes.

By THOMAS J. PENCE.

Washington, D. C., April 29.—There is a very general demand, particularly throughout the South, for the establishment of a parcels post. The House committee on postoffices and post roads have held an extended hearing during the present week, and many persons have presented their views both for and against the extension of the privilege of sending parcels through the mails. Representative John H. Small is a member of this committee, and is earnestly advocating this addition to the rural service. He stated today that while many strong arguments had been made against this system, yet they all appeared to be by representatives of special interests, particularly from various associations of retail dealers, who contended that the business of the retail merchants would be impaired by this service. Another argument has been made to the effect that parcels post will tend to build up the great cities and the great department stores at the expense of the local communities. Others contend that it was not a proper function of the Postoffice Department, and that it would be tantamount to the government entering upon the system of transporting merchandise.

On the contrary the contention is made that Great Britain and the countries of Continental Europe all have a liberal parcels post, which has worked to the great convenience of the people. In addition the United States by agreement with these and other countries, has established an international system by which parcels of greater weight and dimensions may be forwarded to Europe at a less cost than can be forwarded between points in the United States.

Mr. Small believes that it is a legitimate extension of the work of the Postoffice Department and will result in benefit to all the people. He does not believe that it will seriously interfere with the local merchant, and that the objection has been largely exaggerated.

However, it is useless to deny that there is a sharp division of sentiment in the country, and Mr. Small will endeavor to have the committee report a bill establishing a special parcels post on rural free delivery routes. No parcel can be forwarded except from the point at which the route originates, or between different citizens on the same or other routes, originating at the same office. He will advocate a rate of five cents for the first pound and two cents for each additional pound to the maximum of eleven pounds. For parcels less than one pound he will recommend a rate of one cent for two ounces or less; of two cents for over two ounces and up to four ounces; of three cents from four to eight ounces, and of four cents from eight to twelve ounces. If he does not succeed in having this applied to every rural route in the United States, then he will advocate a bill for an experimental parcels post to be established on a number of rural routes in each State, and to continue for a sufficient length of time to demonstrate its value and whether it will be self-supporting. It has been estimated that a general parcels post confined to all rural routes would yield an income of fifteen million dollars per annum.

In connection with the proposed free waterway from Norfolk to Beaufort, Representative Small has just learned of an interesting movement to establish a line of steamers to ply between Norfolk, Elizabeth City, Washington and New Bern. The establishment of this line of steamers, however, will hardly go into effect until Congress has actually authorized the purchase of one of the canals between Norfolk and Albemarle Sound.

This affords another illustration of the benefits which will accrue to Eastern North Carolina when a free canal shall be substituted for the toll canal now in operation.

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